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## **UCT academics and developers to discuss challenges of urbanisation**

**15 May, 17h30, Cape Institute for Architecture, 71 Hout Street, Cape Town**

To address the challenges of urbanisation faced by South African cities, the WesCape developers have proposed a development of 200,000 houses for 800,000 people located between Atlantis and the City of Cape Town.

Plans for the development include a university, a hospital, light industry, a regional shopping mall and more. Developers will present their vision and proposal, and respond to questions and concerns raised.

The size, scale and location of the proposed settlement would invariably impact on the shape, character and budgets of the city and the region, warranting both conceptual and technical debate.

Professor Edgar Pieterse, director of the University of Cape Town's (UCT) African Centre for Cities will facilitate the discussion featuring Alastair Rendall, Gita Goven and Professor Vanessa Watson of UCT's School of Architecture, Planning and Geomatics.

This joint event, organised by UCT's African Centre for Cities, the South African Planning Institute and Cape Institute for Architecture, is aimed at knowledge sharing and information exchange.

Space is limited; please contact [liza.cirolia@uct.ac.za](mailto:liza.cirolia@uct.ac.za) or call 021 650 4307 to reserve a seat.

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